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## GVHC Votes To Accept Advertising In Newsletter To Defray Expenses

By Bernard Krug

The Board of Directors of the Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation voted at its regular meeting last Friday night to accept advertising in the GVHC Newsletter, starting early next year.

Earl Thomas, a member of the publicity committee, appeared before the board to explain the new plan, speaking for Ed Burgoon, committee chairman, who was absent because of the death of his mother.

### Not A Money-maker

Thomas stated that the newsletter, circulated to all GVHC members once a month, now costs about \$1,500 per year, including printing and postage. He stated that it would not be the purpose of the paper to make money from the ads, but merely to help defray expenses as much as possible.

Board Member Hans Jorgensen commented that it would not be wise to cut out news matter in favor of printing ads, and Thomas agreed, adding that the original four pages of the present paper would be continued, with the ads to be kept to a maximum of two pages. He exhibited a six-page dummy of the proposed paper, noting that the body type face is to be changed from 8 to 10 point type, to increase readability.

Manager Paul Campbell announced that damage from "Hazel" was more extensive than initially reported. He said that repair work would be needed for 61 buildings, costing \$2,749. Of this amount, \$849 is covered by insurance, leaving \$1,900 to be paid by GVHC.

### Fasteners on Sale

Screen fasteners, to fit screens in old Greenbelt homes, will be sold over the counter in the GVHC office, Campbell announced. The device contains a small spring, and will fit the present screw holes in the window casement.

The question of the proper name for the road that leads from Greenbelt to the old U. S. 1 was brought up by Board Member Frank Lastner. He stated that it is Southway Road to Edmonston, and Greenbelt Road from there to U. S. 1. He also noted the confusion resulting from the sign on Southway near the entrance to the new Baltimore Parkway. The arrow pointing straight up, to designate the road to Baltimore as straight ahead, is misunderstood by northbound motorists who mistakenly drive into Greenbelt looking for the Baltimore approach to the road. Addition of the words "Cross Bridge" was suggested as a cure for the sign's faulty directions.

Jorgensen said that a sign "This Is Greenbelt" might be erected at the intersection where cars enter Greenbelt from the new road, and Lastner commented that the City Council may undertake to provide the sign. Jorgensen also suggested additional landscaping for the entrance area.

### Other Actions

In other actions, the Board: (1) voted to send a letter of condolence to Board Member Burgoon, on his recent bereavement; (2) voted the usual \$500 for advertising for the month of November; (3) heard Board Member Lastner announce that, following his recent election as County Commissioner, he will resign from the City Council, to be succeeded by Mayor pro-tem James N. Wolfe. The City Council, Lastner added, will appoint another council member in the near future. The next meeting of the Board will be in the GVHC office on Hamilton Place on Friday night, November 19, at 8:15 p.m.

## Credit Union Official Indicted For Embezzling

John C. Maffay, 44, of 46-H Ridge Rd., was indicted this week by the Federal grand jury on a seven-count charge accusing him of embezzlement while serving as treasurer of the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union.

The indictment charged embezzlement of sums ranging from \$33.75 to \$100, for a total of \$528.55. These offenses, according to the charge, took place between November, 1951 and February, 1954.

No arrangements for trial were made.

## Great Books Group To Discuss Plato

A congenial group of six persons met November 3 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Reeves, 2-C Eastway, to discuss the Declaration of Independence and certain passages from the Old Testament illustrative of the abuse of power by kings. The discussion led into many interesting ramifications of political and moral philosophy.

The group was formed at the suggestion of Mrs. Walter D. Johnston and Mrs. John Schmidt upon the advice of Mr. and Mrs. John Littleton who represented a similar Greenbelt group now in its fifth year of reading and discussion. The Rev. Robert C. Hull and Mrs. Russell Greenbaum joined in the discussion.

It was decided to follow the reading list suggested by the Great Books Foundation and inspired by Maynard Hutchins and Mortimer Adler, of the University of Chicago. The group agreed to see BOOKS, Page 4

## Women Voters Discuss Juvenile Detention

The Greenbelt unit of the Prince Georges County League of Women Voters will meet Wednesday, November 14, at 8:15 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Harry Novick, 45-S Ridge. Topic for discussion will be, "Juvenile Detention in Maryland; How Juveniles are Handled from Apprehension to Court Decision."

To raise funds to carry out its work of informing the public on voting and issues of public interest, the League of Women Voters of Prince Georges County is conducting its annual finance drive during the month of November.

Members of the League will contact citizens of the County to explain the work and accomplishments of the League. Anyone not contacted who would like to support the work of the League may send a check to Mrs. Louis Liebersohn, 1605 Drexel St., Takoma Park. Anyone desiring further information concerning the League or the finance drive may call either Mrs. Haig Dermen, President, League of Women Voters of Prince Georges County, TO. 9-6042, or Mrs. Frank Whalen, Chairman of the Finance Drive, SP. 3-6797.

The League is a non-partisan organization whose members provide non-partisan factual information on voting, registration and public issues.

## What Goes On ?

Saturday, November 13 - Greenbelt Midgets grid team plays Green Meadows at Braden Field at 10 a.m.

Monday, November 15 - City Council meets to discuss budget in city offices over Variety Store at 8 p.m.

Greenbelt Choral Group sponsored by JCC meets at 8:30 p.m. in Center School, Room 201.

Wednesday, November 17 - Movie, "The Lion and the Mouse" sponsored by Greenbelt Cooperative Nursery School at Greenbelt Theater at 3 p.m.

Greenbelt unit of League of Women Voters meets at 45-S Ridge at 8:15.

Thursday, November 18 - Great Books Group meets at 2-D Gardenway to discuss Plato's "Apology" and "Crito." New members invited.

JCC Women's Group meets at Center School at 8:30 p.m.

Greenbelt Woman's Club fine arts group meets at home of Mrs. Ralph Webster, 11-S Ridge, at 8 p.m.

Sunday, November 21 - Community Festival for all Greenbelt teachers at Center School, 3-6 p.m.

## GCA Plans Reception For Teachers Nov. 21

Plans for the first annual Community Festival for teachers, to be held in the Center school on Sunday afternoon, November 21, are rapidly nearing completion, according to Bruce Bowman, chairman of the steering committee of the Greenbelt Citizens Association, which is coordinating the event.

This will be the first year that the "welcome-to-teachers" party, formerly sponsored by the Community Church, will include all teachers of all Greenbelt schools, including Center, North End, St. Hugh's Junior High, and the new High Point high school in Beltsville. All Greenbelt parents of school children are cordially invited to attend the 3 to 6 p.m. affair.

Invitations will be sent to all teachers by the Parent Teachers Associations, and a special effort will be made to invite single teachers to Sunday dinner in Greenbelt homes prior to the Festival.

### City-wide Festival

More than a score of Greenbelt organizations are helping plan the event. Greenbelt Consumer Services will provide coffee, and, in addition, punch and cookies will also be available. Exhibits will be entered by GVHC, the combined PTA's and the League of Women Voters. (Other organizations wishing to submit exhibits should call Mrs. Joseph L. Nusinov, 50-C Ridge, GR. 3-6571.)

Entertainment already scheduled for the Festival includes choral selections by a group of students from the University of Maryland and a program of native songs and dances by a group of guest exchange students now studying at the University. Rev. Eric T. Braund will act as master of ceremonies for the entertainment.

Assisting Bowman on the steering committee are Ralph Bartholomew and Janet Parker.

### Nursery School Movie

A movie, "The Lion and the Mouse" in Technicolor, will be shown under the sponsorship of the Greenbelt Cooperative Nursery School Wednesday, November 17, at the Greenbelt Theater at 3 p.m. Admission will be 25 cents.

## Library, Trash Pickup, Fire Dept. May be Dropped From City Budget

By I. J. Parker

The city council began in earnest to consider the estimated budget for 1955 as presented by city manager Charles McDonald last Monday night. First service to be sacrificed in the council bid to cut the city tax rate is the library, the council indicated; the library will be integrated with the county system.

Mayor Frank Lastner declared that he understands that the county library system has "picked up" recently until it can match our standards. Most important, however, is the necessity of taking advantage of county services for which local citizens pay, Lastner added. He asserted that 12 cents per person in Greenbelt goes to the library system, without any benefit to us at present. Also, the county library system gets certain funds from the state for its support.

### Fee For Trash Collection

Another plan to cut the tax rate involves the elimination of garbage and trash collection from the budget, with the cost of this service to be paid by fee charge, probably \$1.50 a month. MacDonald called it a more equitable method of paying for the service, and would reduce our budget by \$30,000, and cut the tax rate an estimated .42 cents per \$100 assessed valuation. It is proposed that Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation collect the monthly fee for the city, as it now collects the water service charge. The plan for a charge for trash and garbage collection is used by many communities, MacDonald stated, and it would be quite proper for this community to use this plan since the majority of homes are owned by one corporation; the billing would be that much easier and less costly.

### Fire, Police Cuts

Also planned for elimination from the budget is the fire department, which costs the city about \$5000 a year. With a volunteer fire department, which is standard practice in the county, the organization would receive funds from the county and state for its support. The city equipment, deemed adequate, would be dedicated or sold at a nominal fee to the new volunteer staff. Another aspect of the move would permit the local rescue squad to associate itself with the volunteer fire department and also receive funds for its support from county or state sources. (Both departments received no outside support while under city administration.)

Another saving may be effected in the police department. It is proposed that the assistant chief of police replace the head of the public works department (who is leaving). The vacancy on the police force would not be filled.

However, this would result in an "empty" shift during the day, probably the afternoon hours of 8 to 4, when only the police chief will be on call from his office. The remaining officers would work from 4 p.m. until midnight, and midnight to 8 a.m. It is hoped to obtain county police service during the afternoon shift.

Another proposal, to eliminate the recreation department from the budget, was suggested. With expected greater participation of the county in recreation activities in Greenbelt, MacDonald felt the problem was merely one of coordinating the activities with the communities and the coordination could be handled by another department head.

Members of the city council expressed their disfavor of eliminating a recreation department director from the budget. It was argued that the community has established a popular reputation for many years regarding our fine recreation program, and would regret any diminishing of this reputation. It was felt that the city should wait until it is determined more accurately what the county can offer in recreation services before such a move is made.

## Council Considers Alternate Budgets; Hearing Nov. 22

City manager Charles T. McDonald presented the estimated budget, or rather two budgets, to the city council last Monday night, and delivered a budget message which urged the council to "re-study the possible duplicating of services furnished by Prince Georges County and paid for by Greenbelt citizens through the County tax."

### With And Without

The first budget, without county assistance in continuing the present services calls for a recommended expenditure of \$331,624. With county help in services, the estimated budget is \$308,371. Budget No. 1 is \$27,860 over last year's budget.

On the basis of the first budget, McDonald disclosed that the tax rate would be \$2.359 per \$100 assessed valuation. A tax rate of \$2.023 would be needed to meet the second budget figure. (The 1954 figure is \$2.143.) Also disclosed was an estimated \$7,000 surplus for this year, as compared to last year's \$18,500.

### Disappointing Assessment

The estimated assessed valuation of all real property in Greenbelt, according to McDonald, is \$6,920,000. The expected increase in assessed valuation of federal property, which was recently sold to private investors, amounted to less than \$100,000, this was noted by McDonald a "disappointing" figure.

The duplicate services for which McDonald requested serious consideration of the council are the library, recreation, public health, fire and police departments.

After the budget message, the city council began its consideration of the budget which will last until the last part of December when a final budget is approved. The council approved a motion to meet on successive Mondays with additional special sessions if necessary. The public hearing date on the budget was set for November 22.

### Proposals Available

It was also disclosed that copies of the proposed budget will be available to citizens for a full week prior to the public hearing, and can be secured at the city offices.

In his final budget message statement, McDonald referred to the fact that the federal government is no longer participating in the city's budget considerations and cannot impose a "paternalistic influence." "We are on our own, and it is up to us to prove ourselves," McDonald concluded.

(The complete text of McDonald's budget message is printed elsewhere in this issue.)

### New Phone Number

The new telephone number of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Solomon is GRanite 3-3491.



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## The Budget and The Police

In the preliminary discussion of the budget, a proposal was made to save the cost of one police officer by using county police during the afternoon hours. Local police would work the evening and early morning shifts only.

This proposal has hit the morale of our police force a severe blow. At present three officers are rotating the shifts, and this newspaper has learned that they look forward to their turn on the afternoon shift, which most nearly represents "normal" working hours. If this proposal is approved, all they can look forward to is continuous employment on odd shifts. As one citizen put it, the county would get the "gravy" shift.

We believe we have a fine police force. The low crime rate in Greenbelt can be largely attributed to their efficiency and diligence. It is well-known that prevention of crime is as important as the solving of crimes.

The council's reasoning that the afternoon is a comparatively "crime-free" period may be true. Nevertheless, when most breadwinners are at work, there is need for continuous police protection in the community. Furthermore, local residents should have the comforting knowledge that such protection is immediately available.

It is a step in the right direction to explore how the county can assist the city of Greenbelt in the matter of police protection. However, we feel that due consideration should be given to our own police staff. The penalty of having a disgruntled, unsatisfied police force may not be worth the few dollars saved.

## Letter to the Editor

### Facts on Library

At the City Council meeting on November 8, 1954, the City Manager recommended the transfer of our library to the Prince Georges County Library system. This recommendation was being made for two reasons. It was claimed that it would save money and lower taxes, and second, that the County Library system had improved to a sufficient degree that our library service would not be materially affected.

As a citizen of Greenbelt and more particularly from the vantage point of a Director of GVHC, I appreciate the absolute necessity for a lower tax rate. However, I also recognize that one of the advantages of living in Greenbelt is the community services available.

I believe this proposed action should be considered in the light of the full facts. For example, as of January 1, 1954, the annual expenditure in the State of Maryland for library service was about 65 cents per capita. This should be compared with the goal of \$1.50 to \$2.50 per capita of the Division of Library Extension, Maryland State Department of Education, and the 1943 recommendation of \$1.50 per capita as the estimate for a reasonably good library made by the American Library Association.

More specifically, it should be compared to the following per capita expenditures for the fiscal year 1953:

City of Baltimore	\$1.93
Montgomery County	1.54
St. Mary's County	.96
Prince Georges County	.59

During the same period the per capita for our library was \$1.57. I understand it is lower this year.

With the county's low per capita expenditure, there is serious question as to the quality of library service that would be rendered if the transfer takes place.

The Public Library in the United States is cherished because of our tradition of equal opportunity and freedom of thought and communication. In these troubled times we should be careful not to take a step backward.

Ralph F. Webster  
11-S Ridge

## JCC Women Plan Hanukah Workshop

The Prince Georges County Jewish Community Center Women's Group is sponsoring a "Chanukah Institute Workshop for Mothers" at their regular meeting, November 18 at 8:30 p.m. in the Center School.

Theme of the event will be "learn by doing" and all attending will participate in the program. A film strip entitled "History and the Significance of Chanukah" will be shown and narrated by Mrs. Helen Justman. Mrs. Beatrice Metalitz will speak on "Chanukh in the home" and Mrs. Lydia Novak will instruct the group in arts and craft novelties. Singing will be led by Sam Vernoff with Mrs. Adelaide Weidberg at the piano. Folk dancing will be taught by Mrs. Metalitz and traditional refreshments will be served.

Mrs. Gladys Chasnoff will be in charge of decorations. Mrs. Frances Sanders is the social chairman and the following committee in charge of arrangements are Mrs. Ethel Fisher, Mrs. Janette Zubkoff, Mrs. Justman and Mrs. Elaine Skolnick. Ceremonial objects, Israeli imports and gift suggestions for children will be on display. All interested are invited to this gala affair.

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## McDonald's Budget Message

October 28, 1954

To the Mayor and

Members of Council:

Greenbelt is indeed fortunate in having the same members sitting on the City Council to consider the 1955 municipal budget as were sitting when the 1954 budget was approved and the tax rate cut in half from the previous year.

In general, the citizenry by its complacent attitude has expressed approval of the efforts of this Council to give Greenbelt efficient municipal services of high quality. However, there have been repercussions from prospective developers of vacant land and those interested in building new homes because the tax rate in Greenbelt seems abnormal as compared with neighboring communities.

With so much undeveloped land within the corporate limits of Greenbelt and the many advantages the location offers to the development of residential, commercial, and now even industrial building, every assistance and inducement should be given to encourage this development in order to increase the assessed valuation, and proportionately reduce our tax rate.

In the consideration of the 1955 budget it is very disappointing at this time to find that during the past year the assessed valuation of Greenbelt real property increased less than \$100,000.00, and that this amount would have reduced the 1954 tax rate only three cents per \$100.00 assessed valuation. It is doubly disappointing because there seemed to be so much encouragement at the time the 1954 budget was considered that several hundred homes would be started by the time the 1955 study was made, and we would be dealing in million dollar assessment increases instead of less than \$100,000.00 figure.

The task of reducing the tax rate for 1955 resolves itself to a restudy of the possible duplicating of services furnished by Prince Georges County and paid for by Greenbelt citizens through the County tax. In order that the City Council may make this study more readily, I have prepared one budget estimate continuing all of the present municipal services, and a second budget estimate if full advantage were taken of all available County services. These duplicate services are the library, recreation, public health, fire and police department.

The total recommended expenditure budget continuing the present services is \$331,624.00, an increase of \$27,860.00. Of this amount, \$20,145.00 appears in revenue producing departments and an offsetting revenue is provided for in the revenue side of the budget.

The \$7,715.00 balance is accounted for by \$2,106.00 added to the health department to provide for a full-time public health nurse; \$3,265.00 in Other Recreation, (Salaries) and other operating expenses; \$574.00 for Elections as 1955 is an election year; and the remainder for increases in several other departments.

The estimated budget, utilizing available County services, is \$308,371.00, and the approval of this budget would mean that the amount raised from real property tax in 1954 would be reduced by

\$6,379.00 in 1955. The use of the total "B" budget figures would be a saving of approximately \$23,000.00 which would not have to be raised through real property taxes.

On the revenue side of the 1955 budget I have estimated that Real Property would have to produce \$16,870.00 more than was raised in 1954 to continue the present services, and as mentioned above, \$6,379.00 less if County services are utilized.

An increase is expected in all other State shared taxes, fines and forfeitures. The sum of \$3,000.00 is estimated as a Waste Collection charge to commercial property and a request is made to Council to provide for that charge.

The increase shown for the swimming pool operation can be realized by a change in the admission prices.

The increase in the Sewer and Water revenue will be produced if the water is used, and will not be required if it is not used.

In order to produce the revenue shown for the bus operation an increase in fares must be forthcoming. The revenue for the bus operation in 1954 is gradually reducing as we are not carrying the number of passengers we carried in previous years.

The fact that only \$7,500.00 is available from Surplus this year as compared with \$18,500.00 available Surplus last year means that \$11,000.00 has to be raised from other sources, and this is, of course, the big reason that an additional amount has to be raised through real property tax.

The estimated assessed valuation of all real property in Greenbelt as of January 1, 1955 is \$6,920,000.00, and to produce the amount of real property tax estimated in the budget to continue the present services will produce a tax rate of \$2.359 per \$100.00 assessed valuation; and by using the amount needed in the budget to utilize County services, the tax rate will be \$2.023 per \$100.00 assessed valuation.

In conclusion, it is interesting to note that for the first time in our budget history we have not included an item for payments in lieu of taxes from the Federal Government; therefore, the decisions of Council will in no way be hampered or directed by that paternalistic influence. We are on our own, and it is up to us to prove ourselves.

Respectfully submitted,  
Charles T. McDonald,  
City Manager.

## GREENBELT LUTHERAN

Edward H. Birner, Pastor

Phone: GRanite 4-9200

Friday, November 12: 8 p.m., Members are invited to attend the Circuit Meeting at First Trinity Church, 4th and E Streets, N.W.

Sunday, November 14: 9:45 a.m., Sunday School and adult Bible Class. Classes are held for all age groups. Raymond Carriere, superintendent, 8:30 and 11 a.m., Church services. The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated at both services. Sermon by the pastor. Visitors are always welcome to attend our services. A nursery is maintained for the benefit of parents with small children.

Monday, November 15: 8 p.m., Men's Club meets at the church.

Thursday, November 18: Church Vestry meets at the church, 8 p.m.

Sunday, November 21: Persons desiring to contribute clothing to the world-wide relief clothing drive may bring their bundles to the church on this Sunday.

## GREENBELT BAPTIST

Meeting in Center School

Rev. Wm. J. Crowder, Ph.D.,

Acting Pastor

4 Woodland Way, GR. 4-9242

Sunday, November 14 - 9:45 a.m., Sunday School. John S. Stewart, Jr., superintendent. Classes for all ages. 11 a.m., Morning Worship, sermon - Dr. Crowder. A nursery is maintained during all services. 6 p.m., Baptist Training Fellowship, meeting in five units - for entire family. 6:45

## ST. HUGH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rev. Victor J. Dowgiallo, Pastor  
GR. 3-5911

Confessions: Saturday afternoon from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. for children and in the evening from 7 to 9 p.m. for adults.

Sunday: Masses: 7:30, 8:30, 9:30 and 11 a.m. 11 o'clock Mass is a High Mass sung by St. Hugh's Choir. This is Communion Sunday for all members of the Holy Name Society at the 7:30 Mass. Religious instructions for Catholic children enrolled in public schools each Sunday after the 8:30 Mass in St. Hugh's school.

Baptisms: Sunday, 1 p.m. Please contact Father Dowgiallo beforehand.

Wednesday: Miraculous Medal Novena at 8 p.m., followed by Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Regular monthly meeting of the Holy Name Society follows the Novena service.

## COMMUNITY CHURCH

Eric T. Braund, Robert C. Hull  
Ministers

A. Elizabeth Goetze  
Minister of Music

Sunday, November 14 - 8-8:30 a.m., Mr. Braund and Chancel Choir broadcast on Station WGAY, "Religion for Living." Morning Worship at 9 and 11, Mr. Braund preaching on "The Spirit of the Mayflower - Dawn of American Church History." Treble and Pilgrim Choirs at 9 a.m.; Chancel Choir at 11 a.m. Church School as follows: 9 and 11, Nursery, Kindergarten, Primary; 10, Junior, Junior High, Senior High (Fellowship Center), College Age Class (Mr. Braund's living room), Men and Ladies' Bible Classes. 4-6 p.m., Try-outs for Dickens' "Christ-Carol." 3-5 p.m., Christmas Conference of Federation Churches at All Saints Episcopal Church, D. C. 6 p.m., Junior High Fellowship; 7 p.m., Senior High Fellowship; 7:45 p.m., General Church Council meeting (Fellowship Center).

Monday, November 15 - 8 p.m., Missionary Group, home of Mrs. Ruth Birdseye, 1-D Parkway.

Thursday, November 18 - 8:15 p.m., Discussion Group, home of Mrs. Virginia Horton, 6808 Wells Pkwy., University Park.

Saturday, November 20 - 10 a.m., Bazaar. Turkey dinner served from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

## MOWATT MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

North End School

Stanley F. Knock, Jr., Minister  
42-L Ridge Road - Phone 9410

Sunday, November 14 - 9:30 a.m., Sunday School service. Classes for all ages. Herbert Irvin, Superintendent. 11 a.m., Morning Worship, conducted by Rev. Knock. Sermon entitled "Who Acts For God?" A nursery is provided for the smaller children. Sunday, November 14 - 6 p.m., Methodist Youth Fellowship meets at the Bailey residence, 21-P Ridge Road.

Monday, November 15 - 8 p.m., Methodist Men meet in room 225, Center school, program with Chinese students.

Tuesday, November 16 - 9:30-11:30 a.m., WSCS Study Course on India, Pakistan and Ceylon, Community Church Fellowship Center.

Wednesday, November 17 - 8 p.m., Bible study course, room 225, Center school.

Thursday, November 18 - 8 p.m., Choir rehearsal, room 122, Center school.

## HEBREW SERVICES

Hebrew services will be held Friday night at 8 p.m. in the Home Economics room of the Center School. For the present, services are conducted by the members. Candle-lighting time is at 4:31 p.m. this week.

p.m., Evening Worship - sermon, Dr. Crowder.

Thursday, November 18 - 7:30 p.m., Mid-week service, room 220, Center school. A continued consideration of the book, "One to Eight." 9 p.m., Choir rehearsal.

Friday, November 19 - 4 p.m., Junior Choir rehearsal, arts and crafts room, Center school.



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## Center PTA Features "Know Your Teachers"

Approximately 250 people attended the November meeting of the Center School Parent-Teachers Association last Tuesday evening. Following the theme "Know Your Teachers," parents visited the classrooms for the first hour, and congregated at 9:30 for the business meeting in the auditorium.

President Harold Hufendick chaired the meeting and introduced these committee chairmen who spoke briefly: Morris Solomon, program; Vincent Caruso, membership; Mrs. Louis Lushine, treasurer; and Mrs. Eleanor Ritchie, ways and means.

Caruso announced that the silver cups for membership and attendance were won by the same teachers who captured them last month: Mrs. Yeager for percentage of parents enrolled in P.T.A.; and another tie between Mrs. Thompson and Miss Sowelle for attendance of parents at the meeting.

Mrs. Ritchie and Mrs. Lushine commented on the budget, which called for raising approximately \$200, to be added to the \$100 now in the treasury, to meet expenses for the coming year. It was adopted unanimously. Mrs. Ritchie announced that the P.T.A. plans to sponsor one, or perhaps two, performances of the Montgomery Light Opera Association production of "Pirates of Penzance" early next year.

Hufendick read excerpts from the Prince Georges Board of Education's "Committee Report on P.T.A. Fund-Raising Activities." The report listed various activities that it deemed improper for the Board to sponsor, or which might fall within the scope of P.A.A's. The first category included: equipping the cafeteria, furnishing audio-visual materials, library books, and records.

In the second were: buying band uniforms and instruments, equipping the playground and faculty room, and furnishing raincoats for patrol children. The report frowned on purchase of television sets, either by the board of education or any P-TA, because of the present standards in programming. Hufendick then announced that \$100 now in the P-TA treasury earmarked for this purpose will not be spent for a TV set, at least for the present.

Solomon stated that the next meeting of the organization will be held jointly with the Junior High P-TA in that school on January 12, 1955.

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## 120-Pounders Beat GreenMeadows 6-0

Greenbelt's 120 pounders defeated Green Meadows last Saturday 6-0. It was a hard, well played affair in which Greenbelt held the upper hand throughout the game, regardless of the fact that only one touchdown was scored. Most of the game was played between midfield and the Green Meadows 20 yard line. There was a large puddle around the 40 yard line that both teams seemed to like, at least they played in that one more than any other one. The boys seemed to be wet and cold throughout the game even if they didn't play that way. To make matters worse the local team had only one substitute. Both, Dunn who hurt his leg and DonBullian who was kicked in the mouth had to return to the game because of the lack of substitutes. Even under these adverse conditions the boys played very good football. Matson's playing in the backfield was exceptional while Canning, Davis, Dunn and Palmer played well in the line. The lone touchdown was a pitchout by White to Taylor who scored from the 11. McGlothlin threw the key block.

The only penalty in the game was for 15 yards against Greenbelt for holding. It came in the last quarter and took Green Meadows to the Greenbelt 20. They drove as far as the 15 where Greenbelt held four downs and took over. It was the nearest that Green Meadows had come to the Greenbelt goal line. Two quarter-back sneaks ended the game.

## My Daze

FOOLISHLY, AS IT TURNED OUT, we thought the address was enough. We were in New York, and had been invited to dinner at my brother-in-law's home. It's one of these huge double apartment houses with four elevators, with population enough for a small town. Anyway, we were having so much trouble finding them without knowing the apartment number. (Even the superintendent couldn't help us. There were several of that name, and she didn't know first names, she said. No, she really couldn't do anything about it!) Only by finally going out to the corner drug store to telephone my brother-in-law did we discover we were to go to 4E. More than ever, my husband and I felt smug and superior about "uncivilized" Greenbelt, and still muttering "fantastic," my husband pushed the buzzer of his brother's door.

SOME CLASSICAL STUFF was pouring out of the FM set, and the children who were out in the yard suddenly burst expectantly in and looked at the television set. You see, they thought cartoons were on television. For many months now channel 7 has been showing cartoons accompanied by good substantial tolerable concert music, and the kids have come to associate symphony music with cartoons. I don't know if that's good or bad. It's a boon to the housewife who has to listen, but it may be a poor way to introduce the kiddies to good music.

—daisy.

Shakespeare used some 24,000 different words in his plays—and undoubtedly knew many more than that. The total recognition vocabulary for the adult high school graduate has been placed as high as 25,000 words. The literate college graduate who reads a few books a year knows 35,000 or more. — — — CHANGING TIMES.

## The Long View

Well, they can turn the editorial dogs loose on me again because I missed the last GVHC board meeting, and I will probably miss the next three. This is due to changing the signals. I travel quite a bit, but I try very hard to work out my trips so I can attend board meetings. My planned itinerary between now and the end of the year would have allowed me to make all but one regularly scheduled meeting. But—

"The best laid schemes o' mice and men

Gang aft a-gley;

An' lea'e us nought but grief and pain,

For promis'd joy."

because, they changed, all the dates of the regular meetings and I was in Louisville when they held the irregularly scheduled November 5 meeting and I will be in Cleveland for the November 19 meeting, in Los Angeles on December 3, in San Francisco for the quarterly meeting on December 8, and in Denver for the December 17 meeting. I hereby publicly apologize to the board and membership for my necessary absences.

I wish I had been at the November meeting rather than in Louisville. I have a great deal more pride in my GVHC voting record than in my selection of horses at Churchill Downs, and my mistakes are much less costly. If you see a horse ambling leisurely through Greenbelt, treat him kindly—I probably have some money bet on him.

If I had been at the last GVHC board meeting, I would have voted against the proposal to accept paid advertisements in the GVHC Newsletter. I believe that a community newspaper in a town this size is a civic necessity, but if every organization is going to subsidize its own paper, then we won't have a public newspaper. And if the News Review (formerly the Cooperator) is thus put out of business, it will be missed, even by me. For the money now spent on the Newsletter, we could buy a full page in the News Review and deliver it to every family in Greenbelt once a month. Don't forget that this newspaper provides a regular free service to all churches and organizations in town in listing their meetings and reporting their special events. Let's not cut its throat (leave that to me).

I didn't know that Frank Lastner had so many enemies in town, he got only 80 percent of the votes cast.

It's a good thing I didn't bid on any of the commercial buildings. I figured they are worth about \$33,333, which would have left me in the middle again between the low bid of \$222,222 and the high bid of \$444,444.

I understand that the successful bidder really didn't intend to bid that much, but that he stutters and when his stenographers asked for how much she should fill in the bid, he said, "For—, for—, for—, for—, etc., and before he got out the figures she had sent the bid into Washington.

## Undefeated Midgets Beat Lewisdale 21-0

By E. DonBullian

"Chet" Speziale's Boys Club Midgets took another step towards the county football championship when they defeated Lewisdale last Saturday, 21-0. A three-platoon system was used with the third team proving just as effective as the first. An excellent broken field run by Dick Ellis took the ball down to the 12, from where Mike Freshman charged down the middle for a touchdown with Stuart, Matson and Duvall furnishing the power.

Following the next kickoff Don King with some excellent quarterbacking took the team within striking distance of the goal line. He then took the ball on an optional keep play around right end for the touchdown.

Freshman's effective running and Bill Steele's pass to Doug Endres produced the final touchdown. The playing of the line was a tremendous factor in this victory. Asst. Coach Bill Moore's prediction of an undefeated season seems to be well on its way.

This Saturday, November 13, the Midgets will play Green Meadows in the deciding game of the championship. It is scheduled for 10 a.m. at Braden Field.

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## JCC Story Wins Essay Prize For Local Girl

Honorable mention in a national essay contest has been won by Marion Ryss, 11 year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Ryss of 33-S Ridge. The contest was sponsored by World Over, a youth magazine published by the Jewish Education Committee of New York, in celebration of the American Jewish Tercentenary this year.

The editors of the magazine wrote Marion that her essay, entitled "My Place in the Community," was chosen from among hundreds submitted by boys and girls throughout the country. They said that it demonstrated on her part "a willingness to work and a feeling for your community and your heritage."

Marion's essay began as follows: "Greenbelt is the name of the community I live in. It is a model town. It has almost anything you could want. Greenbelt is a wonderful place for girls and boys to have fun. It furnishes recreation for children all year round. The recreation department gives swimming lessons at our swimming pool. It also has classes for arts and crafts work. There are also recreation classes in Greenbelt that provide lessons in drama, square and folk dancing, and tumbling."

The essay goes on to describe the building of the Jewish Community Center, which until recently was built almost entirely with the volunteer, unskilled help of Jewish residents. As Marion explained it, the Jews in Greenbelt wanted a place where they "could get together to worship God as well as have a place for social activities."

"The only trouble was we didn't have any money to buy the land and have a building built. The men in Greenbelt are mostly Government workers and are not able to contribute the sum of money necessary. There was such a desire for a building that everyone contributed enough money to buy the land. Due to the fact that there wasn't enough money to hire people to construct the building, it was decided that the Jewish men of the community would do the work themselves. Men who never before did any construction work became bricklayers, carpenters, and laborers..."

Marion humorously noted that "this work was not without sad developments. In clearing the land, two of the men, one of which was my father, got poison ivy."

Her essay also pointed out that "the leaders of the other church groups were so impressed by the progress the Jewish people were making" that they set aside a day called "Greenbelt Jewish Community Day" on which the men of their congregation would come and help with the work on the building. "It was a wonderful sight (she wrote) to see the Reverend of the Community Church and members of his church plus men from the Catholic Church and the other churches all working together to help us get our building done."

## Women's Club Draws 95 To Hawaiian Luau

Ninety-five members and guests of the Woman's Club of Greenbelt enjoyed a Hawaiian Luau in the social room of the Community Church last Saturday evening, November 6. The costumes of the women, grass skirts, sarongs, Chinese and Japanese and peasant dresses, were enlivened by background of artificial palm trees.

Mrs. Leland Love was adjudged to be wearing the most authentic costume. She wore a Hawaiian print sunback dress, adorned with a lei of purple orchids flown to her by her sister in Hawaii.

The entertainment opened with island music sung by a beach-combers quartet of four husbands: Ralph Webster, Richard White, Eric Braund and Ray Finley. Mrs. McDonald and Mrs. Chapman sang Hawaiian songs in duet. Two color movies depicted the five beautiful islands. Miss Mary Jenkins of Washington, D. C. and William Charman, a native Hawaiian, performed and interpreted ancient and modern Hawaiian dances.

The Club's annual guest night in honor of the member's husbands was planned by a committee under the direction of Mrs. Charles M. Cormack.

## Municipal League Has 7th Annual Convention

The Maryland Municipal League, an association of one hundred Maryland cities and towns, will hold its Seventh Annual Convention at the Tidewater Inn in Easton, Maryland, November 11-13. The three-day conclave will be devoted to discussion of municipal problems in the state.

Mayor Russell P. Smith, Jr., of Cambridge, League President, states that 150-175 city and town officials are expected to attend the meeting. Subjects to be discussed include juvenile delinquency, the new Federal social security law, a proposed exchange of roads between the State of Maryland and its political sub-divisions, civil defense, public relations, and municipal legislation. Special sessions for city attorneys, city engineers, and municipal finance officers have also been arranged.

Mayor Allen C. Thompson of Jackson, Mississippi, who is vice president of the American Municipal Association, will be the featured speaker at a dinner to be held on November 12.

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meet every other Thursday in members' homes, and to extend a general invitation to others to join. Several others have expressed a desire to be included.

The next meeting will be held Thursday, November 18 at 8 p.m. in the home of Prof. and Mrs. John Schmidt, 2-D Gardenway. Topic for discussion will be the "Apology" and "Crito" of Plato.

## Lively M.C. Features North End Talent Show

A "Talent Night" sponsored by the North End School PTA was enjoyed by a large gathering Friday, November 5. Master of ceremonies for the event was Joe O'Laughlin who interspersed his introductions with lively anecdotes about the antics of his students.

Featured acts during the evening were Edna White, who sang several semi-classical selections, and Julia Bailey, who presented her inimitable pantomime routines. A surprise event was the appearance of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity quartet from the University of Maryland. The quartet, which had appeared earlier that evening on the Jim Gibbons television show, entertained with a medley of Maryland songs. A variety of local talent filled out the evening.

It was announced that the next North End PTA meeting will take place on Tuesday, November 23.

## Council Notes

Mayor Frank Lastner is trying hard to keep citizens from commenting on the budget until the public hearing, in order to speed council action on the budget; but a comment sneaks in now and then. It's hard to be quiet about taxes in Greenbelt.

A petition signed by 131 citizens was received by the council requesting a sidewalk on Hillside near the church areas. The hazardous traffic in the area is cited as the need for some kind of pedestrian protection. A blue-chip walk may be installed at the cost of \$600 if the roadways fund can accommodate the expense. One point to consider was expressed by McDonald; Greenbelt's plan calls for inter-court walks, not bordering roadways.

"National Week for Retarded Children" was recognized by the city council through approval of a resolution. The week occurs from November 14 to 20. Lastner asked support of citizens of local organization during this fund drive.

Another resolution supporting a Maryland Municipal League proposal to exempt municipalities from gasoline tax was approved. Reasoning: We receive a return from gas taxes and should not be paying taxes indirectly to ourselves, when the city purchases gas.

### Wants Lake Lowered

"Pop" Bell of Izaak Walton League requested permission to lower lake to 30 feet from shore line for clean up of debris to help lake fish growth. To be done after bass season, which ends November 30. City will assist in program, if it can.

Reason for water stoppage was disclosed by McDonald: To tie in Lakeside homes with water line, valves were closed, but they had faulty "seatings." Necessitated going up several "blocks" to accomplish tie-in, and it lasted longer than expected. So many phoned complaints arrived to city office, McDonald felt all residents knew about water stoppage and notification of residents was deemed futile at this late date. Council expressed regret and apology at inconvenience, and promised it won't happen again.

### Shack to Be Screened

A letter from Harry Thompson of Interior Department, disclosed that the maintenance shack on Greenbelt Road for new expressway will be painted, landscaped and screened by trees from road. Also enclosed by chain link fence, Thompson promised. He wasn't aware that he was cutting through Greenbelt property when the site was selected, and he requested maps and ordinances to prevent future abuses of Greenbelt.

A letter from Mrs. James Flynn to the council proposed Mrs. Oscar Zoellner as mayor to replace Frank Lastner when he leaves for county commissioner job soon. Lastner called the suggestion "premature."

Over 25 citizens attended the meeting.

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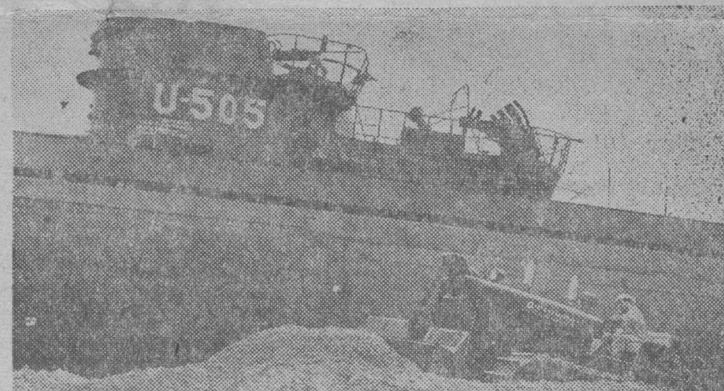
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